

# Annual Reports

of the

## Town Officers

and

## Inventory of Polls and Ratable Property

of

# ROXBURY

NEW HAMPSHIRE

*for the Year Ending December 31, 1953*

and

## School District Officers

*for the Year Ending June 30, 1953*





ANNUAL REPORTS

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## TOWN OFFICERS

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Moderator

EDWIN B. ELLIS

Town Clerk

LAURA MENTER

Town Treasurer

FANNIE P. FERRIS

Selectmen and Assessors

FORREST G. ROBINSON

Term expires 1954

HERBERT J. RUSSELL

Term expires 1955

WILLIAM L. YARDLEY

Term expires 1956

Tax Collector

VIRGINIA DUPLISSIE

Road Agent

STANLEY WASILESKI

Overseer of Poor

HERBERT RUSSELL

Auditor

JAMES B. MISKELLY

Supervisors of Check List

SHIRLEY WASILESKI

MILDRED HOOPER

VIRGINIA DUPLISSIE

Constable

DONALD MENTER

Trustee of Trust Funds

EDWIN B. ELLIS

Sexton

STANLEY WASILESKI

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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### (TOWN WARRANT)

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Roxbury in the County of Cheshire in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the School House in said Roxbury on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, next at 7:30 of the clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for Poor Relief.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14.00 for the Monadnock Region Association.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and donate the sum of \$25.00 to the Elliot Community Hospital.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$200.07 for T. R. A. Construction.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the Town Hall and Tool Shed Fund.

8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.

9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for the purpose of erecting a chimney and partition for a selectmen's room in the town hall or tool shed or to see if the town will take \$200 from the capital reserve fund for that purpose.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 to tar Middle Town Road.

11. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue a section of highway on the Branch Road listed on the State highway map as between station (2+50) and (6+50).

12. To transact any other business that may legally come before said Meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this eighteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

HERBERT J. RUSSELL,  
FORREST G. ROBINSON,  
WILLIAM L. YARDLEY,  
Selectmen of Roxbury

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HERBERT J. RUSSELL,  
FORREST G. ROBINSON,  
WILLIAM L. YARDLEY,  
Selectmen of Roxbury \*

## ANNUAL ROXBURY TOWN MEETING

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March 10, 1953

Meeting called to order by Moderator, Edwin B. Ellis, at 7:30 P.M. Selectmen Leon D. Menter, Herbert J. Russell and Forrest G. Robinson were present.

Meeting opened by reading of the Warrant by the Moderator.

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Town Clerk: Nominated—Laura Menter, Fannie Ferris. Votes cast—27. Of these Laura Menter had 14, Fannie Ferris 13. Laura Menter elected and took oath of office.

Town Treasurer: Nominated—Fannie Ferris, Shirley Wasileski. Votes cast—24. Of these Fannie Ferris had 13, Shirley Wasileski 11. Fannie Ferris elected and took oath of office.

Selectman for Three Years: Nominated—William Yardley, Edwin Ellis. Votes cast—28. Of these William Yardley had 15, Edwin Ellis 13. William Yardley elected and took oath of office.

Tax Collector: Nominated—Virginia Duplissie, Laura Menter, Doris Davis. Votes cast—25. Of these Laura Menter had 10, Virginia Duplissie 7, Doris Davis 7. No election. Names of Laura Menter and Doris Davis withdrawn. Nominated—Priscilla Yardley. Votes cast—23. Of these Virginia Duplissie had 12, Priscilla Yardley 11. Virginia Duplissie elected and took oath of office.

Road Agent: Nominated—Bert Ellis, Stanley Wasileski. Votes cast—26. Of these Stanley Wasileski had 15, Bert Ellis 11. Stanley Wasileski elected.

Auditor: Motion made and seconded that we retain the same auditor as previously had, if available. If not, selection to be left to the discretion of the Supervisors of the Check List. Vote in the affirmative.

Constable: Nominated—Don Menter, Margaret Menter. Votes cast—19. Of these Don Menter had 14, Margaret Menter 3, 1 write-in vote each for Alpheus White and Forrest Robinson. Don Menter elected and took oath of office.

Trustee of Trust Funds: Nominated—Edwin Ellis, Shirley Wasileski. Votes cast—23. Of these Edwin Ellis had 12, Shirley Wasileski 11. Edwin Ellis elected and took oath of office.

Sexton: Nominated—Stanley Wasileski, Alpheus White. Votes cast—22. Of these Stanley Wasileski had 12, Alpheus White 10. Stanley Wasileski elected and took oath of office.

Assessors: Motion made and seconded that Selectmen act as Assessors. Vote in affirmative.

Surveyors of Wood & Lumber: Motion made and seconded that Selectmen act as Surveyors of Wood and Lumber. Vote in affirmative.

Article 2. To raise sums of money to defray Town Charges.

Motion made and seconded we raise sum of \$2,200.00 for Town Charges. Vote in affirmative.

Highways and Bridges: Motion made and seconded we raise \$1,000.00 for summer maintenance. Vote in affirmative.

Snow Removal: Motion made and seconded we raise \$500.00 for snow removal. Vote in affirmative.

Article 3. Poor Relief.

Motion made and seconded that we pass over the Article. Vote in affirmative.

Article 4. Monadnock Region Association.

Motion made and seconded we raise and appropriate the sum of \$14.00 for the Monadnock Region Association. Vote in negative.



Article 5. Elliot Community Hospital.

Motion made and seconded that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Elliot Community Hospital. Vote in affirmative.

Article 6. TRA Construction.

Motion made and seconded that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$196.98 for TRA Construction. The State will contribute the sum of \$1,313.17. Vote in affirmative.

Article 7. Town Hall & Tool Shed Fund.

Motion made and seconded that we pass over the Article. Vote in affirmative.

Article 8. Authorization to Borrow Money.

Motion made and seconded that we authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Vote in affirmative.

Article 9. Disposition of Bill of City of Keene for Hydrant Installation.

Motion made and seconded that we pay the sum of \$200.00 for hydrant installation. Vote in affirmative.

Article 10. Further Compensation to Tax Collector for Collection of Head Taxes.

Motion made and seconded that 2% be paid to Tax Collector for Collection of Head Taxes. Vote in affirmative.

Article 11. Other Business.

No other business was presented.

At 9:00 P.M. motion was made and seconded that we adjourn this Meeting. Vote in affirmative.

LAURA G. MENTER,  
Town Clerk

A true copy—Attest:

LAURA G. MENTER,  
Town Clerk

# INVENTORY OF POLLS AND RATABLE PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF ROXBURY, N. H., APRIL 1, 1953

Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax	Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax
Ball, George			and buildings	1000	
Poll		\$2.00	55a Keyes pasture	200	
Home place	\$1200	73.68	12a East Keyes pasture	50	
Ball, Inez			40a town land	150	
Poll		2.00	6a B and M land	100	138 15
Bailey, Arnold			Ellis, Marion		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
Home place	1200	73.68	Ellis, Burt		
Batinellie, Vincent			5a Willis land		
Home place	1300	18.42	and buildings	200	12.28
Batinellie,			Ferris, Fannie		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
Blake, Oland			80a Waldo farm	3000	
Poll		2.00	3 horses	300	
Blake, Edith			2 cows	200	153.50
Poll		2.00	Fish, Richard		
Boomhower, John			8a Page land	1000	
1/2a Cass land	150	9 21	Foley, Isolina		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
Buckley, Arthur			1a land and buildings	300	18.42
Poll		2.00	Freeman, William		
1/2a home place	150		Gilcreast, Seaver		
1 horse	50	12.28	Poll		2.00
Duplissie, Norman			Gilcreast, Sarah		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
6a land and buildings	1500		Greene, Lee		
1 cow	100	98.24	132a Hardy Wake- field farm	4200	
Duplissie, Virginia			5a Newhall mowing	300	
Poll		2.00	1 horse	50	
Davis, Alter			3 sheep	45	220.73
Poll		2.00	Hooper, William Jr.		
Davis, Clarence			Poll		2.00
Poll		2.00	Hooper, Mildred		
90a Shattuck lot	360	22.10	Poll		2.00
Davis, George			Howard, Frank		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
130a home place	4020		Hughes, James		
40a Newcomb lot	160		Hughes, Mary		
7a Lawrence lot	20		Poll		2.00
7 cows	875		Hulslander, Bertram		
1 horse	50	314.67	15a P. W. Ellis land	1500	30.70
Davis, Doris			Hulslander, Mary		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
Duval, Louis			Jacobs, Wellie		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
2a home place	400	24.56	1/2a land and buildings	2000	122.80
Ellis, Edwin			Jacobs, Gertrude		
Poll		2.00			
4a home place	500				
2 cows	250				
17a Willis land					

Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax	Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax
Poll		2.00	Robinson, Madeline		
Lang, Cecil			Poll		2.00
Land and buildings	2000	61.40	Russell, Earl J.		
Lang, Delia			Poll		2.00
Poll		2.00	3a home place	1200	73.68
Lee, Robert			Russell, Herbert J.		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
90a Nye farm	2000	122.80	9a Bridge place	650	
Lee, Leona			38a Nims pasture	500	70.61
Poll		2.00	Russell, H. J. & E. J.		
Mack, Andrew			78a Towne farm	400	24.56
½a land and buildings	1500	30.70	Russell, Hazel		
Mack, Virginia			Poll		2.00
Poll		2.00	Rockwood, Alfred		
Menter, Margaret			Rockwood, Mary		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
Menter, Leon			Sprayne, Irma		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
1a land	25	1.53	Sprayne, H.		
Menter, Donald			Poll		
Home place	3000	122.80	Steele, Frank		
Menter, Laura			4½a land and buildings	1200	73.68
Poll		2.00	Steele, Bertha		
Paire, Carl			Poll		2.00
Poll		2.00	Wasileski, Stanley		
Home place	1000	61.40	Home place	800	
Paire, Glenna			Wasileski, Shirley		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
Paul, Germaine			Webster, Floyd		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
Paul, Leo			Land & buildings	1300	79.82
Poll		2.00	Webster, Pauline		
8a Henry Ellis place	3000	184.20	Poll		2.00
Pratt, Irene			White, Alpheus		
Poll		2.00	Land & buildings	1500	30.70
Provost, Armand			White, May		
Poll		2.00	Poll		2.00
4a land and build- ings	150	9.21	Yardley, Harold		
Provost, Margaret			¾a home place	2200	73.68
Poll		2.00	Yardley, Kathryn		
Robinson, Forrest G.			Poll		2.00
Land and buildings	1600	36.84	Yardley, William		
			Poll		2.00
			Yardley, Priscilla		
			Poll		2.00

### INVENTORY OF THE NON-RESIDENT TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF ROXBURY, N. H.

Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax	Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax
Ayers, Ada			Beauregard, Charles		
4a land & cabins	\$7000	\$429.80	16a Taft land	100	6.14
Baker, Gordon & Fannie			Beauregard & Sons		
41a Davis farm	175	10.75	62a Wright land	250	15.35
			Benson, R. A.		

Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax	Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax
43a Robbins farm	4600	282.44	Godwin, Anna		
Blanchard, Dorothy I.			1½a land and		
Buckminister, Waldo			building	1000	61.40
(Estate)			Gordon, Irvin		
100a Newcomb lot	400	24.56	100a Dakin & Cum-		
Cameron, Jessica			ings land	400	24.56
350a Kingsbury lot	1400	85.96	Gratto, Lucius W.		
Cameron, Richard			90a Charles Davis		
27a Cata lot	100	6.14	land	500	30.70
Carey, Forrest			Hall & Croteau		
4a Philips land	100	6.14	100a Atwood Knight		
Chesham Baptist			land	400	25.56
Church			Hall, Gaius		
25a Smith land	100	6.14	1 dam site	150	
Christodoulou, Sarah			227a Bald hill lot	950	67.54
300a land &			Hammond, John		
buildings	2700	165.78	50a part of Philip		
Colby, Alvah			land	200	12.28
74a Philips land	300	18.42	Hooper, William		
Cota, Ralph			1a Cass land &		
½a Ira Ellis land	100	6.14	buildings	1500	92.10
Davis, Earl J.			Howe, David E.		
80a William Hale			10a Starkey land	50	3.07
land	325	19.95	Iromager, Adelaide P.		
Davis, Lestan, Est.			30a Kendall Nims		
50a Goodnow lot	200		place	2000	122.80
50a lot 2 range 1	200		Keating, Margaret &		
144a Holt & Rug-			Paul		
gles place	575	59.86	67a Nye land	2500	153.50
Dawes, Emily &			Keene, City of		
Dexter			160a Cota farm		
50a Blanchard land	300		60a Buckminister		
20a Hunting land	100		lot		
50a Smith land	300		30a Munsell lot		
178a Parker farm	12850		1a Sipson lot		
11 cows	1925		4a Nye Orchard		
90 chickens	50	953.23	11a French land		
Dawes, James			79a Mark land		
Seagor land	200	12.28	140a Story land		
Eades, G. R., Dr.			18a Kirk land		
4a land & build-			6¾a Kirk land		
ings	1500	92.10	118a Woodward		
Farr, Leslie			land		
72a Blanchard lot	450	27.63	34a Cass Quarry		
Flint, Ernest			land		
6a Cummings land	25		24a Davis land		
80a Taft land	300		100a Thayer land		
20a Colony land	100		7a Beaver Mills		
8a Flint meadow	100	32.23	land		
Fox, James			50a Wiswall lot		
50a Philips farm	250	15.35	81a Waldo land		
Frechette, Jos. Lloyd,			31a Davis land		
Ernest			24a Kingsbury land		
60a Carpenter past.	240	14.74	125a Cota No. 1		
Garfield, Roger			35a Cota No. 2		
1½a land and			130a Frank Wiswall		
buildings	800	49.12	lot		

Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax	Name and Description	Valu- ation	Total Tax
70a Sy Hardy land			½a land	200	12.28
2a Newman land			Oullette, Albert		
119.9a Frank Cole land			8a Ware land & buildings	1000	61.40
39a Brown land or Brewster			Palmers, Inc.		
785a land & water			35a Lyden lot	140	
Echo lake			1a Wright land	10	
100a Beaver mills			99a Jarre Adams land	360	31.31
6a Charles Wilber land	19114	1173.60	Pell, Clarence		
Knight, Arthur			40a Atwood land	200	
16a Dakin lot	100	6.14	40a Kidder land	200	
Knight, Charles B.			40a sugar lot	200	
110a Lawrence lot	440		30a Knight land	175	47.59
75a Lyford land	300		Public Service Co. of N. H.		
17a Bridge land	68		Distribution line	7888	484.32
25a Cumings land	100		Reed, Lura		
12a Kingsbury land	48	58.71	45a Brown land	200	12.28
Knight, Walter			Richardson, Charles		
25a Ox pasture	150	9.21	40a Fails lot	200	12.28
Lambert, Emile			Robinson, Frank T.		
20a Page land	100	6.14	32a Brewster lot	150	9.21
Mason, George, Grant & Robert			Robinson, Charles W.		
100a Gove and Fairfield land	500	30.70	130a Lawrence land	550	33.77
Missell, L. M.			Seaver, Edgar		
2a Plouff mowing	100	6.14	45a Fail lot	200	
Moore, W. L. & L. C.			15a Fifield lot	50	15.35
25a Nims pasture	300	18.42	State of N. H.		
Murdock, E. & Co.			70a Frechette land		
140a Buckminister farm	560	34.38	10a H. J. & E. J. Russell land		
Murray, Harold			Tacy, Joseph		
10a land and buildings	1000	61.40	1a Kingsbury land	50	3.07
Myers, Arthur			Taves, Ernest H. & Judith		
7a Bridge sugar lot	100	6.14	90a Ware farm	7600	
New England Box Co.			25a French pasture	100	
86.1a Philips land	350		30a Seaver lot	100	478.92
65a Philips farm	250	36.84	Town, Charles H.		
New England Power Co.			6a Willis land	250	15.35
3.3a Page land	8360	513.30	Wallace, Arthur, Est.		
Norwood, Charles			5a Page land	100	
160a David Nims farm	2500		40a Charles Davis	300	24.56
200a Nye land	800	202.62	Wells, Wellington		
Nourse, Hazel			Parker farm	400	24.56
			White, Ellery		
			25a Nims land	200	12.28
			Wilder, Charles		
			50a Nims lot	200	12.28
			Williams, Don J.		
			120a Houghton lot	500	30.70



## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

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County tax	\$441 96
Town tax	2,200 00
T.R.A.	196 98
Highways	1,000 00
Snow removal	500 00
Elliot Community Hospital	25 00
Schools	6,946 66

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\$11,310 60

Taxes committed to collector:

Property taxes	\$8,868 14
Poll taxes	114 00
Yield taxes	419 61

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\$9,401 75

Tax rate: \$6.14 per \$100.00

Other revenue:

Saving bank tax	\$1 45
Auto permits	284 95
Dog licenses	65 80
Timber tax reimbursement (1953)	1,690 40
For Class (5) Five highway maintenance	720 72
Rebate head tax	112 70
Yield taxes	464 61
Reimbursement town of Jaffrey (Mt. Monadnock fire)	61 92
Pistol permits	2 00

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\$3,404 54

Valuations:

6 horses	\$450 00
23 cows	3,350 00
3 sheep	45 00

90 fowls	50 00
Power lines	16,248 00
Land and building	136,090 00
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Total valuations	\$156,233 00
Less exemptions	11,800 00
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Net valuation	\$144,433 00

## PAYMENTS

Town officers' salaries	\$855 90
Town officers' expenses	288 04
Fire department	123 17
Bounties	40 50
Hospital	25 00
Town road aid	196 98
Town maintenance (summer—\$1,653.68)	
(winter \$182.38)	1,840 23
Fire hydrant	200 00
Legal expenses	12 00
Long term notes (interest)	90 00
Long term notes (principal)	1,000 00
State head taxes (1952 tax \$277.05) ('53 \$422.40)	699 45
Taxes paid to county	441 96
State audit	88 50
School distr. app. (1952 \$6,166.14) ('53 \$422.40)	9,666 14
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Total payments	<del>\$10,896.05</del>

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**OF THE TOWN OF ROXBURY**  
**IN CHESHIRE COUNTY**  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953

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**CERTIFICATE**

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This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Feb. 17, 1954

HERBERT J. RUSSELL,  
 FORREST G. ROBINSON,  
 WILLIAM L. YARDLEY,  
Selectmen  
 FANNIE P. FERRIS,  
Treasurer

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**ASSETS**

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	\$5,036 89
Capital Reserve Funds:	
Town hall and tool shed	1,465 95
Uncollected taxes:	
(a) Levy of 1953	1,559 12
(e) State head taxes—Levy of 1953	90 00
Total assets	<hr/> \$8,151 96
Grand total	<hr/> \$8,151 96



**LIABILITIES**

Due to state:

(a) State head taxes—1953 (Uncollected \$90.00)	\$90 00
Due to school districts: balance of appropriation	3,446 66
Capital reserve fund	1,465 95

Long term notes outstanding:

Cheshire National Bank	2,000 00
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Total liabilities	\$7,002 61
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus)	1,149 35

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Grand total	\$8,151 96
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**RECEIPTS**

Current revenue:

From local taxes:

(Collected and remitted to treasurer)

1. Property taxes—current year	\$7,290 02
2. Poll taxes—current year—regular	
@ \$2	84 00
4. Yield taxes	464 61
5. State head taxes @ \$5	265 00
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6. Total current year's taxes collected and remitted	8,103 63
7. Property taxes and yield taxes—previous years	1,885 08
8. Poll taxes—previous years—regular @ \$2	30 00
9. State head taxes @ \$5—previous years	90 00
10. Interest received on taxes	61 57
11. Penalties on state head taxes	14 00

From state:

13. For highways and bridges:	
(b) For Class V highway maintenance	720 72
16. Savings bank tax and building and loan association tax	1 45
18. Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	1,690 40

From local sources, except taxes:

24. Dog licenses	65 80
25. Business licenses, permits and filing fees	2 00
33. Registration of motor vehicles, 1952 permits	1 00
Registration of motor vehicles, 1953 permits	283 95
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Total current revenue receipts	\$12,949 60
Receipts other than current revenue:	
38. Refunds (rebate head tax)	112 70
Refunds—town of Jaffrey	61 92
Cash on hand January 1, 1953	7,480 54
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Grand total	\$20,604 76

### PAYMENTS

Current maintenance expenses:

General government:

1. Town officers' salaries	\$855 90
2. Town officers' expenses	288 04

Protection of persons and property:

8. Fire department, including forest fires	123 17
10. Bounties	40 50

Health:

14. Health department, including hospitals	25 00
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Highways and bridges:

18. Town road aid	196 98
19. Town maintenance (Summer \$1,653.68)	
(Winter \$182.38)	1,840 23

Public service enterprises:

29. Municipal water and electric departments	200 00
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Unclassified:

32. Damages and legal expenses	12 00
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Total payments	<hr/> \$3,581 82
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## Interest:

39. Paid on long term notes	\$90 00	
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Total interest payments		\$90 00

## Indebtedness:

52. Payments on long term notes	\$1,000 00	
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Total indebtedness payments		\$1,000 00

## Payments to other governmental divisions:

56. State head taxes paid state treas. (1953 taxes \$277.05) (prior yrs., '52, \$422.40)	\$699 45	
57. Taxes paid to county	441 96	
58. State audit	88 50	
59. Payments to school districts (1952 tax \$6,166.14) (1953 tax \$3,500.00)	9,666 14	
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Total payments to other governmental divisions		\$10,896 05
Cash on hand December 31, 1953		5,036 89
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Grand total		\$20,604 76

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY**

Description:	Value
1. Town hall, lands and buildings	\$500 00
Furniture and equipment	200 00
4. Fire department, lands and buildings	1,000 00
Equipment	2,000 00
5. Highway department, lands and buildings	
Equipment	1,500 00
Materials and supplies	100 00
9. Schools, lands and buildings	4,500 00
Equipment	1,000 00
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Total	\$10,800 00

# TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For Year of 1953

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Received from automobile permits:

73 1953 permits	\$283 95
2 1952 permits	1 00

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\$284 95

Dog licenses:

23 1953 licenses	\$61 00
1 1952 license	5 00

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\$66 00

Pistol permits

\$2 00

## REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

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### SUMMARY OF WARRANT

#### PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1953

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Taxes committed to collector:

Property taxes	\$8,868 14
Poll taxes	114 00
Head taxes	365 00

Total warrant	\$9,347 14
Yield taxes	419 61
Interest collected	6 50

Total debits	\$9,773 25
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Remittances to treasurer:

Property taxes	\$7,335 02
Poll taxes	84 00
Head taxes	265 00
Yield taxes	419 61
Interest collected	6 50
Abatements	14 00

Uncollected taxes as per collector's list:

Property taxes	1,533 12
Poll taxes	26 00
Head taxes	90 00

Total credits	\$9,773 25
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Abatements:

Poll Taxes—William Hooper	2 00
Juliana Hooper	2 00

Head Taxes—William Hooper	5 00
Juliana Hooper	5 00

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 \$14 00

Uncollected taxes as per collector's list:

Property:

Bailey, Arnold	\$73 68
Ball, George	73 68
Buckley, Arthur	12 28
Davis, George	314 67
Davis, Clarence	22 10
Ellis, Edwin	3 00
Foley, Isolina	18 42
Mack, Andrew	30 70
Paul, Leo	184 20
Pair, Carl	61 40
Russell, Earl J.	73 68
Russell, H. J. & E. J.	24 56
Russell, Herbert J.	70 61
Ayers, Ada	429 80
Blanchard, Dorothy I. and Lucius W. Gratto	30 70
Gordon, Irvin	24 56
Moore, W. L. & F. C.	18 42
Nourse, Hazel	12 28
Oullette, Albert	11 40
White, Ellery	12 28
Williams, Don J.	30 70

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 \$1,533 12

Poll taxes:

Buckley, Arthur	\$2 00
Davis, Clarence	2 00
Davis, Alta	2 00
Hughes, May	2 00
Foley, Isolina	2 00
Mack, Virginia	2 00
Pair, Carl	2 00
Pair, Glenna	2 00
Pratt, Irene	2 00

Russell, Herbert	2 00
Russell, Hazel	2 00
Sprague, Irma	2 00
Rockwood, Mary	2 00

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\$26 00

Head taxes:

Buckley, Arthur	\$5 00
Davis, Clarence	5 00
Davis, Alta	5 00
Foley, Isolina	5 00
Freeman, William	5 00
Hughes, James	5 00
Hughes, May	5 00
Mack, Andrew	5 00
Mack, Virginia	5 00
Pair, Carl	5 00
Pair, Glenna	5 00
Pratt, Irene	5 00
Russell, Herbert	5 00
Russell, Hazel	5 00
Sprague, Herbert	5 00
Sprague, Irma	5 00
Rockwood, Alfred Leroy	5 00
Rockwood, Mary	5 00

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\$90 00

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**SUMMARY OF WARRANT**

LEVY OF 1952

DR.

Taxes committed to collector:

Property taxes	\$1,550 00
Poll taxes	14 00
Yield taxes	160 86
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Total warrant	\$1,724 86

## Added taxes:

Head taxes	\$45 00
Interest collected	60 74
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Total debits	\$1,830 60

## CR.

## Remittances to treasurer:

Property taxes	\$1,547 52
Poll taxes	14 00
Head taxes	30 00
Yield taxes	160 86
Interest collected	60 74
Abatements—prop. taxes	2 48
Head taxes	15 00
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Total credits	\$1,830 60

**SUMMARY OF WARRANT  
LEVY OF PREVIOUS YEARS**

## DR.

## Taxes committed to collector:

Property taxes	\$41 50
Poll taxes	24 00
Special poll taxes	9 00
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Total warrant	\$74 50

## CR.

Abatements	\$74 50
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I hereby certify that the above lists showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1953, on account of the tax levies of 1953 and 1952, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

VIRGINIA L. DUPLISSIE,  
Tax Collector



## ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

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Summer maintenance of roads \$1,456 56

STANLEY WASILESKI,  
Road Agent

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## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

Fiscal Year Jan. 1, 1953 to Dec. 31, 1953

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Balance as of January 1, 1953 \$7,480 54

Received during year:

Levy of 1953—Virginia L. Duplissie, tax collector:

Property taxes	\$7,290 02
Poll taxes	84 00
Timber taxes	464 61
Head taxes	265 00
Interest	1 50
Head tax penalties	5 00

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Total receipts account levy of 1953 \$8,110 13

Levy of 1952:

Property taxes—Fannie P. Ferris, tax collector	\$176 60
Virginia L. Duplissie, tax collector	1,708 48

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\$1,885 08

Poll taxes—Fannie P. Ferris, tax collector	\$16 00
Virginia L. Duplissie, tax collector	14 00

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\$30 00

Head taxes—Fannie P. Ferris, tax collector	\$60 00
Virginia L. Duplissie, tax collector	30 00

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\$90 00

Interest—Fannie P. Ferris, tax collector	\$2 33
Virginia L. Duplissie, tax collector	57 74

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\$60 07

Head tax penalties—Fannie P. Ferris, tax collector	\$6 00
Virginia L. Duplissie, tax collector	3 00

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\$9 00

Total receipts account levy of 1952	\$2,074 15
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Motor vehicle permits:

Fannie P. Ferris, town clerk	\$85 67
Laura G. Menter, town clerk	199 28

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Total motor vehicle permits	\$284 95
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Dog licenses:

Fannie P. Ferris, town clerk	\$4 80
Laura G. Menter, town clerk	61 00

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Total receipts dog licenses	\$65 80
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Receipts from other sources:

State of New Hampshire	\$112 70
State of New Hampshire—Class V highways	720 72
Town of Jaffrey—reimbursement Mt. Monadnock fire	61 92
State of New Hampshire—Savings Bank tax	1 45
State of New Hampshire—exemption of growing wood and timber	1,690 40

Laura G. Menter, town clerk—pistol permits	2 00
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Total receipts for fiscal year—January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953	\$13,124 22
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Total monies for fiscal year—January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953	\$20,604 76
Less selectmen's orders	15,567 87
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Balance as of December 31, 1953	\$5,036 89

FANNIE P. FERRIS,  
Treasurer

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION**

Concord, New Hampshire

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October 16, 1953

Board of Selectmen  
Roxbury, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of an examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Roxbury which was made by this Division, acting under authority of Chapter 82, Section 27, of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire, which provides in part as follows:

“Audit on Motion of Commission. The commission may cause an audit to be made of the accounts of any city, town, school district, village district or precinct, as often as once in two years, or whenever conditions appear to it to warrant such. \*\*\*\*\*”

This audit covered the fiscal year ended December 31, 1952, and the period from January 1st to August 31st, 1953. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report which is made up in three sections as follows:

Section I —Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1952

Section II —Period January 1st to August 31st, 1953

Section III—Ten Year Statement of Indebtedness, Valuation and Taxes

#### SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector and Town Clerk.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Comparative Balance Sheets—December 31, 1951—December 31, 1952: (Exhibit A)

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1951 and December 31, 1952, are presented in Exhibit A. As indicated therein, the Net Debt decreased by \$1,436.59 during the year 1952.

**Analysis of Change in Financial Condition: (Exhibit B)**

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit B, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:

**Decreases in Net Debt**

Long Term Note Paid	\$1,000 00	
Net Budget Surplus	786 59	
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**Increase in Net Debt**

Cash Surplus Used to Reduce Tax Rate	350 00	
Net Decrease	<hr/>	\$1,436 59

**Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures  
—Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits C & D)**

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1952, are presented in Exhibits C and D. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit D), a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$994.91, less a net revenue deficit of \$208.32, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$786.59. Summary of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit E)

A summary of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1952, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit E. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of August 31st, 1953, is indicated in Exhibit M.

**Statement of Indebtedness: (Exhibit K)**

A statement of long term indebtedness as of December 31, 1952, showing annual maturities of principal and annual interest requirements, is contained in Exhibit K.

## AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of record. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks.

## GENERAL COMMENTS

### Revision of Balance Sheet:

Several changes were made in the balance sheet of December 31, 1952, which was filed with this office and which was included in the printed town report. These changes are reflected in the revised balance sheet of December 31, 1952, in Exhibit A of this report, which indicates that the Town closed the year of 1952 with a Net Debt of \$1,038.60, rather than a Surplus of \$3,394.04 as originally reported.

The principal changes which were made in the balance sheet as originally made out were as follows:

- (1) Eliminated from Assets—Uncollected taxes a/c levy of 1951—\$1,790.14. (There were no uncollected taxes on this warrant.)
- (2) Added to Liabilities—Long Term Notes Outstanding—\$3,000.00.
- (3) Balance Due School District—Changed from \$6,566.14 to \$6,166.14.

### Capital Reserve Fund:

The amount of the Capital Reserve Fund which was reported as \$2,222.96 on December 31st, 1952, was actually \$1,422.96 on that date.

During the year a withdrawal of \$1,000.00 was made from the fund to pay for the erection of a building. The payment was made directly to the contractor by means of a check issued by the bank. It is recommended that in future cases

of this sort the amount withdrawn from the Capital Reserve Fund be turned over to the Town Treasurer and deposited in the Treasurer's account at the bank in order that the transaction may be recorded in the general fund account of the Town.

#### Appropriations and Expenditures:

At the time of the audit no entries had been made for the current year (1953) in the Selectmen's book in which expenditures are recorded and classified. In order that expenditures may be compared with appropriations from time to time, it is essential that the Selectmen's record of expenditures be kept up to date.

#### Town Clerk's Cash Book:

It is recommended that the Town Clerk adopt the use of the standard form of cash book for recording the issuance of motor vehicle permits and dog licenses.

#### Conclusion:

The provisions of Section 31, Chapter 211, of the Laws of 1939, require that this report or a summary of its essential features shall be published in the next annual town report. This letter of transmittal should be included in its entirety but the inclusion of Exhibits is optional.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Roxbury for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,  
Harold G. Fowler, Director  
DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION

C. David Sullivan, Auditor  
Hugh J. Cassidy, Accountant



**CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT**

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Roxbury for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1952, and the period from January 1st to August 31st, 1953. In our opinion the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the Town on December 31, 1952, together with the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harold G. Fowler, Director  
DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION

C. David Sullivan, auditor  
Hugh J. Cassidy, Accountant  
Oct. 16, 1953



# REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF ROXBURY

ON DECEMBER 31, 1953

Date of Creation	Trust Funds Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Balance of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
Mar. 8, 1892	Ruel H. Kingsbury Cemetery Fund	Keene Savings Bank, Book No. 836	\$100.00	\$65.24	\$4.99		\$70.23
Aug. 1, 1934	Nye Cemetery Fund	Keene Savings Bank, Book No. 17907	100.00	14.23	3.44		17.67
July 12, 1940	Eli Clark Cemetery Fund	Keene Savings Bank, Book No. 20413	200.00	28.00	6.39		34.89
Mar. 25, 1947	Town Hall and Tool Shed	Keene Savings Bank	1,200.00	222.96	42.99		265.95
June 1909	George G. Davis Cemetery Fund	Cheshire County Savings Bank, Book No. 5585	100.00	61.39	4.87		66.26
Apr. 14, 1921	Ellen A. Davis Cemetery Fund	Cheshire County Savings Bank, Book No. 13980	100.00	16.24	3.50		19.74
Jan. 11, 1946	Josiah and Eliza Davis Cemetery Fund	Cheshire County Savings Bank, Book No. 36353	100.00	16.35	3.51		19.86
June 1915	Roxbury Cemetery Association	Cheshire County Savings Bank, Book No. 8738	11.61	24.03	1.07		25.10
	Totals		\$1,911.61	\$448.44	\$71.26		\$519.44

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
 Feb. 8, 1954  
 EDWIN B. ELLIS,  
 Trustee of Trust Funds.

**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

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This is to certify that I have audited the books of the Town of Roxbury, New Hampshire for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1953.

This audit included examination of the Tax Collector's books; the Town Clerk's records; the Treasurer's books (including Bank Statements); the Road Agents and Selectmen's Records, Securities held by the Trustee of Trust Funds, and Town Officer's Bonds, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, have found them to be correct and in good order. Included in the audit of the Tax Collector's records was a verification of uncollected lists by mail.

Respectfully submitted,  
JAMES B. MISKELLY,  
Town Auditor

February 18, 1954

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Roxbury qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the School House in said district on the 2nd day of March 1954, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund, together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the district will raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen hundred and fourteen dollars (\$1,414) to be made available prior to June 30, 1954; as a deficit appropriation.

10. To take up any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Roxbury this 1st day of Feb. 1954.

MAY WHITE, Chairman,  
EDWIN ELLIS,  
VIRGINIA DUPLISSIE,  
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

MAY WHITE,  
EDWIN ELLIS,  
VIRGINIA DUPLISSIE,  
School Board

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### ANNUAL SCHOOL BUDGET 1954 TO 1955

#### Administration:

Salaries of district officers	\$129 00
Board chairman \$40; District treas. \$20; Clerk \$4;	
Board secty. \$20; Moderator \$5; Auditor \$10;	
Board member \$20; Census \$10.	
Superintendent's salary (local share)	119 60
Tax for statewide supervision (\$2 per pupil)	70 00
Salaries of administrative personnel (supt's clerk)	46 00
Supplies and expenses of administration	40 00
(Postage, telephone, eqpt., supplies, supt's office.)	

#### Operation of school plant:

Water, light, janitors supplies, elem.	20 00
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#### Auxiliary activities:

Transportation, elem.	1,700 00
Tuition, high	3,040 00
Tuition, elem.	4,204 00
Sullivan elem.	600 00

## Fixed charges:

Teachers retirement, elem.	5 00
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Total current expenses	\$9,968 60
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Total school expenditure or appropriation	\$9,968 60
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## Estimated receipts:

Balance of previous year	\$ 0 00
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State aid	1,206 42
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Total receipts, other than property tax	1,206 42
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Amount to be raised by district assessment	\$8,762 18
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## Special appropriations:

Deficit appropriation to be available prior to June 30, 1954, \$1,414.00.

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**OF THE ROXBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
 For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1952  
 Ending June 30, 1953

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**CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that the following information in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

CHARLES L. BOWLBY,  
 Superintendent  
 MAY WHITE,  
 EDWIN B. ELLIS,  
 VIRGINIA DUPLISSIE,

July 18, 1953

**RECEIPTS**

State aid:	
Foundation aid	\$713 08

Local taxation	
Current appropriation	6,991 12
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Total net receipts from all sources	\$7,704 20
Cash on hand at beginning of year July 1, 1952	27 28
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Grand total net receipts	\$7,731 48

## PAYMENTS

Administration:			
	Total Amount	High School	Elem. School
Salaries of district officers	\$117 00	\$17 90	\$99 10
Superintendents salary (local share)	84 08	12 60	71 48
Tax for state wide supervision	66 00	56 00	10 00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	50 40	7 50	42 90
Supplies and expenses	52 61	7 90	44 71
Instruction:			
Books and other instructional aids	2 10		2 10
Scholar's supplies	1 54		1 54
Supplies and other expenses	18		18
Operation of school plant:			
Water, light, supplies and expenses	21 60		21 60
Auxiliary activities:			
Transportation	1,741 93		1,741 93
Tuition	5,482 44	1,791 08	3,691 36
Fixed charges:			
Retirement	4 33		4 33
Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses	1 00		1 00
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Total net current expenses	\$7,625 21	\$1,892 98	\$5,732 23

Cash on hand at end of the year (June 30, 1953)	106 27
Grand total net payments	<u>\$7,731 48</u>

### **BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1953**

#### **ASSETS**

Cash on hand June 30, 1953	\$106 27
Total assets	<u>\$106 27</u>
Grand total	<u>\$106 27</u>

#### **LIABILITIES**

Surplus (excess of assets over liabilities)	<u>\$106 27</u>
Grand total	<u>\$106 27</u>

### **SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT**

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

#### **SUMMARY**

Cash on hand July 1, 1952 (treasurer's bank balance)	\$27 28
Received from selectmen:	
Current appropriation	\$6,991 12
Received from state treasurer:	
State funds	<u>713 08</u>
Total receipts	<u>\$7,704 20</u>
Total amount available for fiscal year (balance & receipts)	<u>\$7,731 48</u>
Less school board orders paid	<u>\$7,625 21</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 1953 (treasurer's bank balance)	\$106 27



July 13, 1953

LAURA G. MENTER,  
District Treasurer

### **AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Roxbury of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953 and find them correct in all respects.

JAMES B. MISKELLY,  
Auditor

July 27, 1953

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## **REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

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Many of the objections made by Roxbury parents to the attendance of their children at the Keene schools was overcome this year through the co-operation of the Keene School Board and superintendent. All pupils in grades 1 through 6 now attend at Fuller school, rather than being scattered in many Keene schools. Grades 7 through 9 attend at the new junior high school and grades 10 through 12 at the main high school.

Transportation difficulties were solved when the Cheshire bus Company agreed to operate an early bus for the junior high pupils and a later bus for the elementary pupils, at a small increase in costs; thus permitting the smaller children to leave home later in the morning.

While the costs of transportation and tuition continue to rise, the Roxbury pupils have the advantages of schooling in modern buildings with wide educational offerings. Thus it is still educationally to the advantage of Roxbury pupils to continue to attend school in Keene.

DR. CHARLES L. BOWLBY,  
Superintendent of Schools



**SCHOOL CENSUS 1953-54**

Age	Total	Boys	Girls	In school	
Less than					
1 year old	0				
1 year old	1	1			
2 years old	2		2		
3 " "	0				
4 " "	1	1			
5 " "	4	2	2		
6 " "	2	2		2	
7 " "	4	3	1	4	(1 parochial)
8 " "	5	2	3	5	
9 " "	3	2	1	2	(1 parochial)
10 " "	3	2	1	3	
11 " "	2	1	1	2	
12 " "	4	2	2	4	
13 " "	5	3	2	5	
14 " "	1	1		1	
15 " "	3	1	2	3	
16 " "	2	2		2	
17 " "	0	2		2	
18 " "	1		1	1	
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Totals	45	25	20	36	2

## SCHOOL DIRECTORY OF ROXBURY

### 1953-1954

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#### School Board

	Term expires
MRS. MAY WHITE, Chairman	March 1954
MR. EDWIN ELLIS	March 1955
MRS. VIRGINIA DUPLISSIE	March 1956

#### School District Officers

MR. EDWIN ELLIS	Moderator
MRS. FANNIE FERRIS	Auditor
MRS. LAURA MENTER	Treasurer
MRS. SHIRLEY WASILISKI	Clerk

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## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTHS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Name of Parents</i>
1953		
June 30	Dorcen Lynn	James Friend Greene Jacklyn Andrea Bemis
Nov. 26	Gary Robert	Norman Robert Duplissie Virginia Louise Blake

### MARRIAGES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name of Bride and Groom</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>Where Married</i>
1953			
Dec. 19	Leo Peter Blake Janice Elaine McIlvene	Roxbury Keene	Keene



